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BIOGRAPHICAL DATA ON NEW NORWEGIAN INFANTRY COLONELS

At the 20 March 1953 meeting of the cabinet, three new colonels of infantry were appointed. Lt Col Elvind Martin Sethov was relieved of his assignment as chief of the adjutant staff of the supreme command of the army, was promoted to colonel, and assigned command of Telemark Infantry Regiment No 3. Colonel Sethov is 54 years of age and has been an officer since 1921. He was a lieutenant in Agder Regiment No 7 during 1921 - 1930, and in Akershus Infantry Regiment No 4 during 1930 - 1940. After taking part in the campaign in Norway, he went to England. He was in Finnmark during the liberation campaign in 1944. Until 1946 he was battalion commander, and later was commander of ground forces in Finnmark. In 1947 - 1948, he commanded the Second Brigade 472 in Germany, and in 1948 he was appointed chief of the adjutant staff of the supreme command of the army.

Lt Col Engelbrekt Lerheim was relieved of his assignment as second in command of Møre Infantry Regiment No 11, was promoted to colonel, and assigned command of Troms Infantry Regiment No 2. Colonel Lerheim is 57 years of age. He graduated from the 9th Division school in 1919 and from the upper division of the military academy in 1923. In 1935, he was assigned to the 5th Division school as a lieutenant. Three years later he was promoted to captain and assigned as adjutant to Infantry Regiment 11, in which, during the campaign in Norway, he served as chief of staff. During the rest of the war he was a prisoner of war in Germany. In 1948, he was promoted to lieutenant colonel and assigned, as second in command, to Møre Infantry Regiment No 11.

Lt Col Haakon Edland was relieved of his assignment as second in command of Agder Infantry Regiment No 7, promoted to colonel of infantry, and assigned command of Rogaland Infantry Regiment No 8. Colonel Edland is 51 years of age and has been an officer since 1923. He served with Smaalenenes Infantry Regiment during 1925 - 1927, on the general staff during 1927 - 1931, with the 3d Division in Kristiansand during 1932 - 1933 and 1935 - 1937, with the Rogaland Regiment during 1937 - 1938, with the Varanger Battalion in Kirkenes during 1938 - 1940, with the supreme command of the army in London in 1944, with the District Command Finnmark during 1944 - 1945, and in 1946 was appointed chief of staff of the District Command North. At present he is serving as second in command of the brigade in Germany.

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